In the first phase of the project Rs. 1.87 crores has been earmarked for conservation, chemical preservation and beautification of the Taj Mahal.

Foreign exchange earned through Tourism

†449. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise details of foreign exchange earned through tourism during the last three years;

(b) whether Government is making efforts to include tourism industry in any schedule of the constitution; and

(c) if so, details in this regard and by when it is targeted to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) The estimated foreign exchange earnings from tourism during the last 3 years are as follows:

Year	Foreign Exchange earning (Rs. in crores)
1998	12150
1999	12951
2000	14475

(b) and (c) State Governments/Union Territories and the concerned Ministries/Departments of the Government of India have been requested to send their views on the proposal for inclusion of Tourism in the Concurrent List.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.